Uxbridge Historical District Commission Meeting Minutes of March 10, 2020

7:00pm

Uxbridge Police Station - Community Room



Members Present: Jane Keegan, Travis Ann Do Rosario, Michael Cove

Members Absent: Faye McCloskey, Marian Baker, Christopher Delarda (Alternate), Mary Patricia Wickstrom (Alternate),

Rachel Palin (Alternate)

Meeting is called to order at 7:00pm by Jane Keegan

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

NEW BUSINESS:

Robert Johnson, 47 South Main Street, Uxbridge, MA.

Wants to Upgrade FIVE windows on his front face of his home. There are no changes to the architectural detail.

Travis Ann Do Rosario made the motion to approve the Application for Certification at 47 South Main Street.

Michael Cove seconded the motion.

Motion approved unanimously, 3-0.

Original was signed and handed to applicant at time of the meeting.

Peter Pendergast on behalf of Solomon Temple Lodge, 20 Court Street, Uxbridge, MA

As part of the upgrades to the building, the Masonic Temple is upgrading their kitchen. They are installing a stove vent that will be placed on the backside of the building. Also, they are planning to install a light to illuminate the Masonic Sign on the front of the building.

Jane Keegan made the motion to grants a Certificate of Non-Applicability to the Solomon Temple Lodge for a stove vent on the back of the building and lighting of the Sign.

Michael Cove seconded the motion.

Motion was approved unanimously, 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

Approval of the January 15, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Travis Ann Do Rosario made a motion to table the approval of the January 15, 2020 meeting minutes as a quorum of attendees from the January, 2020 meeting was not in attendance at the March meeting.

Michael Cove seconded the motion.

Motion approved unanimously, 3-0

WELCOME LETTER to New Owners of Five and Eleven South Main Street, Uxbridge, MA

Jane Keegan has drafted a letter to BayState Investors, the new owners of the Skeean property.

Travis Ann Do Rosario read the letter aloud to the committee.

Minor adjustments and changes were made.

Michael Cove made the motion to approve, with adjustments, and send out the letter to BayState Investors.

Travis Ann Do Rosario seconded the motion.

Motion passes unanimously, 3-0.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Final Determination letter to the **Open Meeting Law Complaint** that was filed by Marian Baker against members of the UHDC on October 31, 2019.

The Attorney Generals Office reviewed the Meeting Minutes AND the Video Recordings of the meetings in questions and has deemed that the Commission was NOT in violation of the OML.

Also, it is important to note that the complainant was in attendance at all of the meetings.

Therefore, at this time, the complaint is addressed, resolved and closed by the Attorney Generals Office.

THIRD WEDNESDAY

Michael Gallerani, the Economic and Development planner has submitted an outline/questionnaire to gather participants of different committees: What are the ideas of our committee?

Potential District Expansion?

Do the other committees in town support us?

What can we do to help property owners/business owners in the district?

Jane Keegan will draft an overview of ideas discussed to submit to Michael Gallerani.

INTERNET POSTINGS and DISCORD

Jane Keegan read a statement as to the continuing discord of members within the commission, which has now carried over to public social media page in Northbridge.

Members present were asked to affirm the expectations moving forward of appropriate behavior and noted that inappropriate behavior will be forwarded to the Board of Selectman as a possible violation of the Town Social Media policy.

SAVERS BANK

Discussion around the windows and the decision of the building owners to replace Douglas Street, first floor windows. Possible sketches will be made available at the April, 2020 meeting.

NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at 7pm.

Motion to adjourn at 7:51pm made by Michael Cove. Seconded by Travis Ann Do Rosario Motion passes unanimously, 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted, Travis Ann Do Rosario

Travis ann Do Rosario.